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SUBJECT: SOVIET CHILEAN ENCOUNTER IN IOC

1. BRIEF DEADLOCK OCCURRED AT NOV 2 EXEC COMMITTEE MEETING OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL OCEANOGRAPHIC COMMISSION (IOC) AT UNESCO WHEN SOVIETS REFUSED TO SERVE WITH CHILIANS ON NOMINATING COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY DUTCH EXEC COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN. LATTER NAIVELY SELECTED CHILEANS IN INTEREST OF GEOGRAPHIC REPRESENTATION OF MEMBERS WHICH ALSO INCLUDED US, FRANCE AND JAPAN.

2. HOWEVER, SOVIETS DID NOT RPT NOT PROTEST CHILEAN PARTICIPATION IN IOC MEETING AS A WHOLE.

3. SOVITS DID NOT RELENT DESPITE BRAZILIAN AND
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MEXICAN STATEMENTS OF SUPPORT FOR CHILEANS AND OTHER

DELEGATIONS' OBJECTIONS TO INSERTION OF POLITICAL ISSUE
IN IOC CONSIDERATIONS, INCLUDING LOW KEY CORRIDOR
APPROACH BY US DELEGATE (SULLIVAN).

4. STALEMATE FINALLY BROKEN BY CHILEAN WITHDRAWAL IN
FAVOR OF MEXICO. DECISION WAS MADE BY CHILEAN CHARGE
D'AFFAIRS IN PARIS, JORGE BERGUNO, WHO PRESENT AS
DELEGATION MEMBER. BERGUNO FORMALLY EXPLAINED DECISION
MADE IN INTEREST ALLOWING IOC TO GET ON WITH BUSINESS
BUT WAS NOT TO BE REGARDED AS PRECEDENT ESPECIALLY WITH
REGARD TO CHILE BEING CHOSEN AS SITE FOR FUTURE IOC
MEETING.

5. SOVIET TACTIC OF WITHDRAWING RATHER THAN CALLING
FOR VOTE TO EXCLUDE CHILEANS FROM NOMINATING COMMITTEE,
WHICH SOVIETS WOULD HAVE LOST, WAS NOTEWORTHY FINESSE.

6. LACK OF SOVIET OBJECTION TO CHILEAN PARTICIPATON
IN OIC BUT UNRELENTING OPPOSITION TO MORE DIRECT
ASSOCIATION MAY INDICATE MORE NUANCED SOVIET ATTITUDE

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